

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Chappey et al.  
Serial No.: 10/612,603  
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For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR  
DETERMINING SUSCEPTIBILITY OF A  
PATHOGENIC VIRUS TO PROTEASE INHIBITORS  
Examiner: HUMPHREY, Louise Wang Zhiying.  
Art Unit: 1648  
Confirmation No.: 4793  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 23, 2008, and in view of the Notice of Appeal filed on June 17, 2009, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendment and remarks. Also submitted herewith is a Request for a Five Month Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and the required fees to extend the period to respond until January 17, 2010, and a Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and the required fees. Although no additional fees are believed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees required by this action to Deposit Account No. 16-1435.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.